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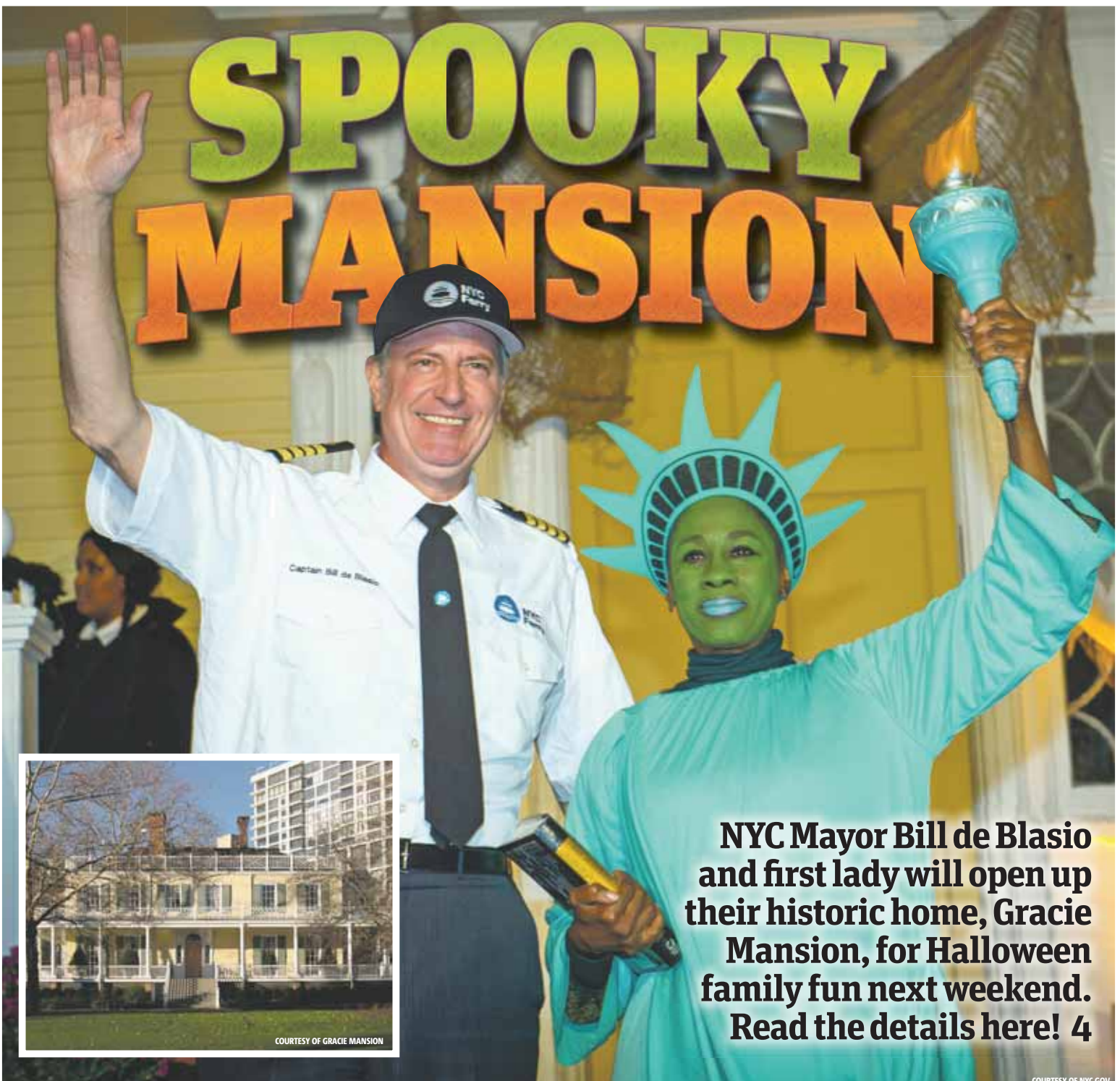
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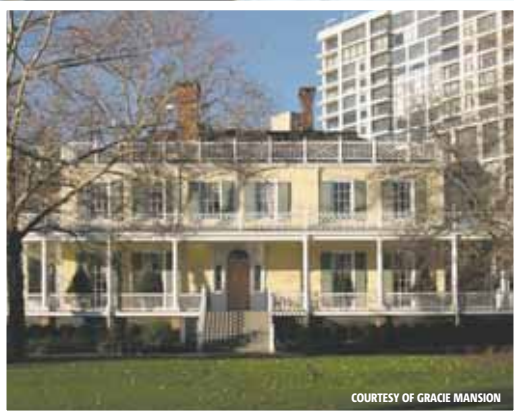
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# Elijah Cummings, U.S. civil rights icon who led House probe of Trump, dead at 68

Cummings was a consistent critic of President Trump.

U.S. Representative Elijah Cummings, a civil rights champion who over the last quarter century became one of the most influential Democrats in Congress and a key figure in the impeachment inquiry into President Donald Trump, died on Thursday. He was 68.

A powerful speaker with a formidable presence, Cummings had clashed with Trump on subjects ranging from congressional oversight of the White House to Trump's attacks on Cummings' native city of Baltimore, which the president called "rat-infested."

Cummings responded in a speech early in August at the National Press Club, saying that high-level government officials should "stop invoking fear, using racist language and encouraging reprehensible behavior."

Cummings died of "complications concerning longstanding health challenges," his office

said in a statement. He had been absent recently from Congress, to which he was first elected in 1996.

The barrel-chested Cummings was the son of African-American sharecroppers. He rose to lead the powerful House Oversight and Reform Committee, one of three congressional panels leading an impeachment inquiry that was

cans alike voiced praise for Cummings on Thursday.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, a Republican, said flags would be lowered to half-staff at the Capitol building to mark his death.

"In the House, Elijah was our North Star. He was a leader of towering character and integrity, whose stirring voice and

Republican Representative Mark Meadows, one of the most conservative members of the House, said on Twitter of his Oversight Committee colleague: "There was no stronger advocate and no better friend than Elijah Cummings."

Cummings told the Washington Post earlier this year that he considered Meadows a good friend, even though they disagreed on almost all issues.

Former President Barack Obama called Cummings "steely but compassionate" and said he "showed us all

not only the importance of checks and balances within our democracy, but also the necessity of good people stewarding it."

Cummings was a trial lawyer before being elected to office to represent Baltimore and other parts of central Maryland. He graduated from Howard University and the University of Maryland School of Law.

He spent 14 years in the state legislature, becoming the first African-American to be named state House Speaker Pro Tempore, who presides over the chamber when

the Speaker is absent.

When he moved to Congress, he succeeded Kweisi Mfume, who went on to lead the NAACP civil rights group.

This year, Cummings harshly criticized Trump's immigration policy and gave a tongue-lashing to U.S. Department of Homeland Security officials over conditions for migrants detained along the southern border.

Cummings said he had "no doubt" the president was a racist, after Trump attacked four minority congresswomen on Twitter. **REUTERS**

**"In the House, Elijah was our North Star. He was a leader of towering character and integrity, whose stirring voice and steadfast values pushed the Congress and country to rise always to a higher purpose."**

Nancy Pelosi

launched on Sept. 24, after Trump asked Ukraine to investigate 2020 Democratic presidential rival Joe Biden. The panel has been involved in fights with the Trump administration over subpoenas challenged by the president.

In a time of particularly bitter partisan divide in Washington, top Democrats and Republi-

steadfast values pushed the Congress and country to rise always to a higher purpose," House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said in a statement.

She recalled that earlier this year, Cummings said: "When we're dancing with the angels, the question will be asked: In 2019, what did we do to make sure we kept our democracy intact?"



A plaque is covered by a black ribbon outside the office of Rep. Elijah Cummings in Washington, DC, on October 17, 2019. **GETTY IMAGES**

## Striking Chicago teachers picket over contract talks

**2** Teachers in the Chicago Public Schools (CPS) system picketed outside of schools on Thursday during their first day of a strike after protracted labor negotiations between the union and district leadership failed to produce a deal. The work stoppage across the third-largest school district in the United States forced officials to cancel classes for more than 300,000 students, but school

buildings stayed open for children who need a place to go during the strike. Thousands of people, including teachers and some parents who support their cause, formed picket lines in front of many of the district's 500 schools. Picketers wearing bright red T-shirts and sweatshirts carried signs demanding "a fair contract" and chanted "Whose schools? Our schools."

**REUTERS**

## Facebook's Zuckerberg hits pause on China

**3** Chief Executive Mark Zuckerberg on Thursday defended the social media company's political advertising policies and said it was unable to overcome China's strict censorship, attempting to position his company as a defender of free speech. "I wanted our services in China because I believe in connecting the whole world, and I thought maybe we could help creating a more open

society," Zuckerberg said, addressing students at Georgetown University. "I worked hard on this for a long time, but we could never come to agreement on what it would take for us to operate there," he said. "They never let us in." Mandarin and posted a photo of himself running through Tiananmen Square, which drew a sharp reaction from critics of the country's restrictive policies. **REUTERS**

## Trump to host next year's G7 at his Florida golf resort

**4** U.S. President Donald Trump will host next year's Group of Seven economic summit of developed world leaders at one of his own properties, the Trump National Doral golf resort near Miami, a White House official said on Thursday. White House acting chief of staff Mick Mulvaney said Trump would not profit from use of the property and defended the decision, which comes as the president faces ongoing criticism and congres-

sional investigations over his finances and potential conflicts-of-interest. Mulvaney told reporters the summit would take place at Doral on June 10-12, 2020, and that the administration selected Trump's resort after initially looking at about 12 potential locations in various other U.S. states. "Doral was by far and away the best physical facility for this meeting," he said at a news briefing. "It's almost like they built this facility to host this event." **REUTERS**



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## Tickets for Gracie Mansion Halloween now available

The 2019 Gracie Mansion Halloween will take place Friday, Oct. 26 through Sunday, Oct. 28 at the historic home on the UES.



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Who doesn't love dressing up for Halloween? New Yorkers, including Mayor Bill de Blasio and first lady Chirlane McCray, are getting into the spirit of the spooky season by hosting their free annual Gracie Mansion Halloween celebration, which they first started in 2014.

The Gracie Mansion Halloween celebration will again be taking place at the historic home of the First Couple, located at 88th street and East End Avenue on Manhattan's Upper Eastside.

For the event, Gracie Mansion is converted into a haunted house and the lawn is transformed into a graveyard. The event includes spooky actors, props, face painting, music and balloon makers to enter-

tain the children. Kids can also participate in arts and crafts activities. Since its inception in 2014, Gracie Halloween has opened its doors to thousands of children from across all NYC boroughs, with special attention given to making the event accessible to kids residing in city homeless shelters and foster care system.

**How to get free Gracie Mansion Halloween celebration 2019 tickets:** If you want to check out the event, the free ticket giveaway is currently underway. To pick up a ticket to the event you can go to [www.nyc.gov/GracieHalloween](http://www.nyc.gov/GracieHalloween) or call 311. Although the event welcomes families of all ages, the event is recommended for families with children ages 6-10.

**Gracie Mansion Halloween celebration 2019 dates, start times:** The 2019 Gracie Mansion Halloween will be taking place Friday, October 25 through October 27.

**The festivities and décor are sponsored by:** TDF Costume Collection, Scholastic Education, LEGO Group, May Ellen & Gerald Ritter Foundation, Discovery, Inc., Blick Art Materials, The, Gristedes/D'Agostino Su-

permarkets, #Snazaroo, Whole Foods Market, Mars Incorporated, Utz/Clem Snacks, Inc., Make-up Designory, GrowNYC, and Cabot Creamery Cooperative.

Residents can reserve up to four tickets, and tickets cannot be sold, assigned, or transferred. The time of entry is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Other than being the home of the New York City Mayor, Gracie Mansion a notable landmark due to its extensive history. It was built in 1799 by Archibald Gracie before Alexander Hamilton made it the home of The New-York Evening Post (now known as The New York Post) in 1801, after recruiting investors. Archibald Gracie was his business partner and host.

The times for each date are listed below:

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# NYC Ferry accused of discriminating against three Muslim families

Three women and their eight kids were not allowed to board last month due to a "security issue."



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NYC Ferry and New York City are being accused of discrimination after allegedly denying Muslim families entry on to one of its vessels last month based on security concerns, though the ferry service said the incident was a misunderstanding.

Three mothers, two of whom were wearing hijabs, were traveling with their eight children on Sept. 21 when they were not allowed to board a ferry due to what they were told was a security issue.

The women filed a complaint with the New York chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations, which said the



Problems occurred on the Wall St. ferry. ISTOCK

families met up in Bay Ridge to board the Wall Street ferry at around 3:30 p.m. and had no problems. But later on in the day, when they tried to reboard the ferry, two employees denied them service.

"These families were humiliated and traumatized in public view and treated as suspect because they happen to be Muslim. That is unacceptable. We hope the city will live up to its commitment of nondiscrimination and

swiftly correct this injustice," CAIR-NY Litigation Director Ahmed Mohamed said in a statement published by local media.

According to the complaint, because the ferry line was long, the mothers asked if they could wait on the side with their strollers. Once it was time to board, a male and female employee had a private conversation then told the Muslim families that they were not allowed to board, citing security.

The complaint claims one of the employees, a woman, was "rude, unprofessional, and raised her voice" when the families asked for an explanation.

Eventually, the women were told that they were denied from boarding the ferry because the children were standing on the seats on the first ferry.

A spokesperson for NYC Ferry said they are looking into the incident, and told NBC, "NYCEDC takes these matters seriously, and is committed to ensuring that no person is denied services based on race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, gender identity or disability."

The families are seeking damages for "humiliation, embarrassment and severe emotional distress," the complaint said, as well as a formal apology, cultural training and disciplinary action to be put in place for the involved ferry employees.

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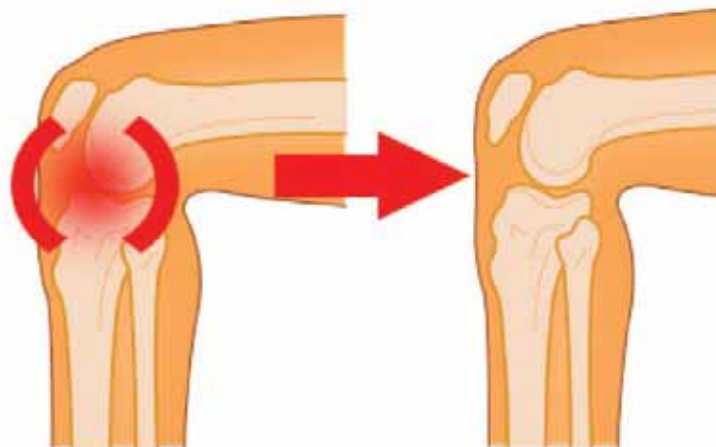
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# *The Lighthouse* is a commanding, hypnotic romp filled with menace

We spoke with director Robert Eggers ahead of the film's premiere this weekend  
**JAMES CASE**

There's a moment early in "The Lighthouse" when you realize there's actually going to be dialogue and feel a sense of relief. It's not as if would be a bad thing if it was made as a near-silent film. It's that the range of potential artistic decisions are so wide, that a film without dialogue would be plausible. It's that the amount of dread this would contribute, stacked against the dread from the premise and the vibe, would be too weighty. Within "The Lighthouse" there is a sense that older things carry more weight time and tradition carries an immense burden. This dread, this feeling of humans being owned and defined by our near and distant pasts figured heavily into Robert Eggers' first film, "The Witch".

On the sophist's surface, there's an observ-

able level of pretension. It's black and white. A tremendous amount of thought and research has been put into the details. Thankfully this feeling comes across naturally. Everything feels organically "old-world". Nothing feels put upon or forced - every detail is deliberate. "It's incredibly satisfying to do a tremendous amount of research and to get lost in these worlds," Eggers said, "and to create a world physically or recreate my own interpretation."

"The Lighthouse" uses this ornamentation for atmosphere. Once the stage is set - and it is a very unruly, vile and vulnerable stage - we're quickly on little island far off the coast.

"The Lighthouse" is centered by the experiences and perspectives of its two leads. The plot is easy enough to summate. In 1890's New England, two men (the equally marvelous Robert Pattinson and Willem Dafoe) are assigned to work for six weeks on a remote lighthouse. They gradually begin to lose



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their footing with each other and with their grip on reality.

There are two sets of tasks at hand for the men. One is physically taxing, mundane and for the most part humiliating – at one point a character equivocates the work to slavery. The other set of tasks is one of privilege and unusual hours: the actual work of operating the lighthouse. They are supposed to alternate tasks on a daily basis. However, the senior man (Dafne), who's experienced working in lighthouses dictates to the younger man (Pattinson) that they will not be exchanging tasks and under no circumstances can he operate or see the lighthouse. There is no one for the younger man to complain to. He's stuck with the older man.

The sequences are commanding enough that they don't need to pretend to seek resolution or 100% plot coherence – they are part of one thematic whole, a brutal, turbulent, old-world New England whole. In lesser hands than Pattinson and Dafne, the roles would be overplayed and the whole thing would be silly. The whole story is grounded by the unique

voice of Eggers, who broke through in cinema by working on gritty sets over the years until he got his chance to tell his own stories. This film couldn't be made by someone with a silver spoon or from a place of privilege: the best elements of "The Lighthouse" stem from hard work and passion.

"I know that the fortune I have is precarious," Eggers said, "and there's a lot of hard work that goes into my life every day, but I also know that part of it is luck. Being said no to so many times in my life and being laughed at and told I'd never make it so many times, that you use some humility, but the hunger and the drive to create is so powerful that it gives me the confidence to keep going."

We don't know either of their names or identities until nearly midway, but at that point, you're not sure how long you've been watching them on this island to begin with, and you quickly realize that it doesn't matter – the nature of a name or a backstory could be entirely feigned by either man. A name is as good as a sticker on a shirt, that could be removed or replaced.

As the story pro-

gresses and their moral compasses degrade or are reset, and as their backstories change or their identities shift, it becomes clearer that we are not defined by who we say we are or where we come from, but we're defined strictly by our actions and decisions. Their language becomes guttural. Their desires become base. They are continuously disgusted and enamored with one another – they entirely need each other for the second half of the film, but absolutely cannot stand being in the same room with one another without the aid of alcohol or any substance they can glean to tolerate their isolation and the discontinuous daily life.

"The Lighthouse" is cinema at its most vital. It's funny and absolutely tense all the way through. Its characters are wholly familiar and at the same time absolute strangers. It has profound moments of human relation and has bawdy (completely memorable and quotable) sophomoric diatribes. It dances between human transcendence and mundane, brutal reality. "The Lighthouse" is the kind of film that can only be totally experienced.

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**Aries** Don't let outside influences get to you. Listen, observe and look for ways to work with whatever situation unfolds.



**Libra** Have a checklist ready to ensure that you don't leave anything undone.



**Taurus** Keep your life simple and affordable. Indulgence should not put you in a situation that leaves you financially, emotionally or physically vulnerable.



**Scorpio** Spend more time doing what pleases you. Having a happy and healthy attitude is dependent on how you treat yourself.



**Gemini** Activities that challenge you will also keep you out of trouble. Sign up for a tournament or attend a sports event or rally that interests you.



**Sagittarius** Embrace positive people and those who offer truth, fairness and equality. If something sounds too good to be true.



**Cancer** Don't let your temper take control. Look for the good in everyone and in every situation. Don't reject the unknown or unfamiliar.



**Capricorn** Put everything in order. Running a tight operation will ensure peace of mind.



**Leo** Accept the inevitable and go about your business. If you help others, you will end up helping yourself as well.



**Aquarius** Someone will reveal information you didn't want to be made public. Damage control will work wonders if you are quick to counter with a valid explanation.



**Virgo** Get together with people who make you feel good. Love, romance and family fun should be your top priorities.



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## Why did it take so long for 'Zombieland: Double Tap?'

Director Ruben Fleischer walks us through it **GREGORY WAKEMAN**

"Zombieland: Double Tap" has had a long journey from script to screen. It's ironic, because it took Sony no time to greenlight the follow-up to 2009's "Zombieland."

The box office figures for the original zombie comedy's opening night were so impressive that writers Rhett Reese and Paul Wernick were actually hired within a week of its release. But while they initially wrote a sequel set immediately after the events of the original, they couldn't get the script quite right. Then Jesse Eisenberg, Emma Stone, Woody Harrelson and Abigail Breslin became immensely popular, acquiring six Oscar nominations between them since the release of "Zombieland," with Stone actually winning Best Actress for "La La Land."

"Everytime they won Oscars or were nominated we just thought, 'We're dead. We're never getting them back together,'" co-writer Paul Wernick tells Metro. Ultimately, though, he believes their love for "Zombieland," and the fact that everyone involved had such a great time working on it, convinced them to return.

Wernick is aware how "crazy" it is they found time in Eisenberg, Harrelson, Stone and Breslin's hectic schedules. "These are some of the finest actors of our generation and they're doing a zombie movie. Not only a zombie movie, they're doing a sequel to a zombie movie."

Ruben Fleischer, who made his directorial debut with "Zombieland" but has since followed it up with "30 Minutes or Less," "Gangster Squad" and "Venom," insists that all four of the actors had to return "in order for" Wernick, his writing partner Reese and the filmmaker himself "to pursue" the sequel, as "it wouldn't have been the same without



Director Ruben Fleischer. GETTY IMAGES

them."

Ultimately, they landed on a story revolving around Breslin's Little Rock running away with a hippie to a safe haven on the other side of the country. Tallahassee, Columbus and Wichita soon set off to find her, but their task becomes particularly perilous when it is revealed that the zombies have now evolved and are even more dangerous.

Not only was Fleischer excited to return to the non-traditional and rule-breaking style that made the original so appealing, he also wanted to play with the visuals of a post-apocalyptic world ten years in the future. "I wanted to really portray a world where nature had come back. The White House is covered in vines, roads are covered in weeds. That was really cool to design. I also wanted to create some real action sequences."

The most impressive of these is a prolonged fight at an Elvis-themed hotel, and after his work on "Venom," Fleischer was much more confident and knowledgeable about how and where to subtly incorporate visual effects. Fleischer was particularly thrilled to work with the beloved foursome, too.

"My biggest self-imposed rule with this was about making sure the cast was just as amazing as it could be," he explains. "Part of what works so well is how distinctive each of the comedic voices are."

"Jesse is neurotic, his

energy is so different to Woody's cowboy spirit. Emma's super sarcastic Wichita couldn't be more different to Zoey Deutch's Madison, who is really earnest, naive and has real puppy dog energy. That is a great counterbalance."

While it is great to see Eisenberg, Harrelson, Stone and Breslin working their magic again, Deutch steals every scene she is in as the dim-witted survivor they meet in a mall.

"Zoey came in guns blazing," says Fleischer. "Even though this is a pretty intimidating cast to come into, she blew everyone's minds with how funny she was."

But while Reese expects "Double Tap" to provide ample laughs and scares, he wants viewers to "feel like they are putting back on a warm comfy sweater when return to this world." For him, Wernick and Fleischer, both "Zombieland" and "Double Tap" are "about family more than anything."

"While we want scares and we want laughs, we want people to feel," Reese says. "People should want to spend time with these characters. We wanted to recapture their interactions with each other, the chemistry, and find that fine line between giving people what they loved before but also giving new stuff so we weren't treading on old ground."

You can see if they achieve that when "Zombieland: Double Tap" is released on Oct. 18.



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## SPORTS



# Assessing the pros, Carlos Beltran for the

The Mets managerial search is down to approximately six names, but the favorites remain Joe Girardi and Carlos Beltran.



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Tick, tock.

The New York Mets' managerial search has gained minimal clarity since Mickey Callaway was relieved of his duties more than two weeks ago.

A list of candidates that numbered as numerous as a baker's dozen has been halved, though there only seems to be two or three legitimate front-runners for the job.

The most mentioned names throughout the process have been Joe Girardi and Carlos Beltran — two candidates who are expected to provide varying degrees of author-

ity.

If the Wilpon family and general manager Brodie Van Wagenen want an authoritarian who toes the lone-wolf line, Girardi would be their guy.

The former catcher has managed on the largest stage in baseball for a decade, leading the Yankees to six playoff appearances and a 2009 World Series victory during his stint in the Bronx.

He can handle the heavy expectations that come with leading a big-market franchise and handling the overwhelming media that often comes with it.

And nabbing a manager that has won it all before would provide the Mets with that all-important experience factor.

As last year showed, the Mets are capable of performing like a playoff team. All they need are some tweaks to the bullpen while gaining an effective leader. Girardi could be the type of high-IQ baseball mind that

could help put the organization over the top.

But Girardi will have his drawbacks when it comes to an upper-management standpoint.

He often made lineups in his vision only — disregarding general management's suggestions while filling out the order with borderline defiance.

That might be too much to handle for a first-time general manager like Van Wagenen, who likely is going to want to have a say in how the team he built is formulated.

It's not going to help that the Mets have a deep offensive roster that will have plenty of chefs in the kitchen.

With Robinson Cano's albatross of a contract almost immediately securing him as the starting second baseman in 2020 — and with the projected return of Yoenis Cespedes in left field — the Mets will have to try and fit the bats of Jeff McNeil, JD Davis, and Dom Smith into



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Joe Girardi and Carlos Beltran are two of the frontrunners for the New York Mets' managerial job. GETTY IMAGES, ILLUSTRATION BY JOE PANTORNO, METRO NEW YORK

## cons of Joe Girardi, Mets managerial job

third-base and outfield roles that already feature the likes of Jed Lowrie, Brandon Nimmo, and Michael Conforto.

That could provide a point of contention between manager and general manager if Van Wagenen wants to have more of a say in things.

But the Mets will have to make a call on Girardi soon. The Phillies and Cubs are amongst the teams circling for the 55-year-old, meaning he could be off the market in the coming days or weeks.

While Girardi seems to be a hot commodity, Beltran is waiting for just the Mets.

The former outfielder — who spent six-plus years with the club during a career that will likely end up in Cooperstown — and an up-and-coming managerial candidate has made it known that the only job offer he would accept is the Mets'.

Beltran holds no prior managing experience in

Major League Baseball, but he is believed to be the next great skipper given his ability to break down opposing pitching — particularly picking up on their tips or stealing signs.

With ties to the organization and a new-school sort of style, it would be understandable why Beltran could be the preferred choice for the Wilpons and Van Wagenen.

For the general manager, it also offers more promise of a symbiotic relationship with the manager when it comes to having a say in the everyday lineup.

There are immediate concerns that would come with the introduction of Beltran, though.

When Callaway was dismissed, the initial belief was that the Mets were going to look for an experienced manager that knows what it takes to navigate a team toward the postseason and beyond.

Beltran wouldn't be

that hire. In fact, it would be a lateral move by the Mets when comparing him to Callaway.

The obvious difference is that Beltran is offensively affluent while the former Mets skipper came up through the school of pitching.

That's the danger that will come with any of the rumored names in the Mets' managerial search.

Whether it's Derek Shelton, Luis Rojas, or Eduardo Perez, these would be wild-card hires for an organization with a younger core that needs structure now more than ever.

If Mets management wants that sure hand in the dugout, Girardi is the man.

If Van Wagenen simply wants to hire his guy and take a chance on uncovering the next big baseball mind, then it's the field.

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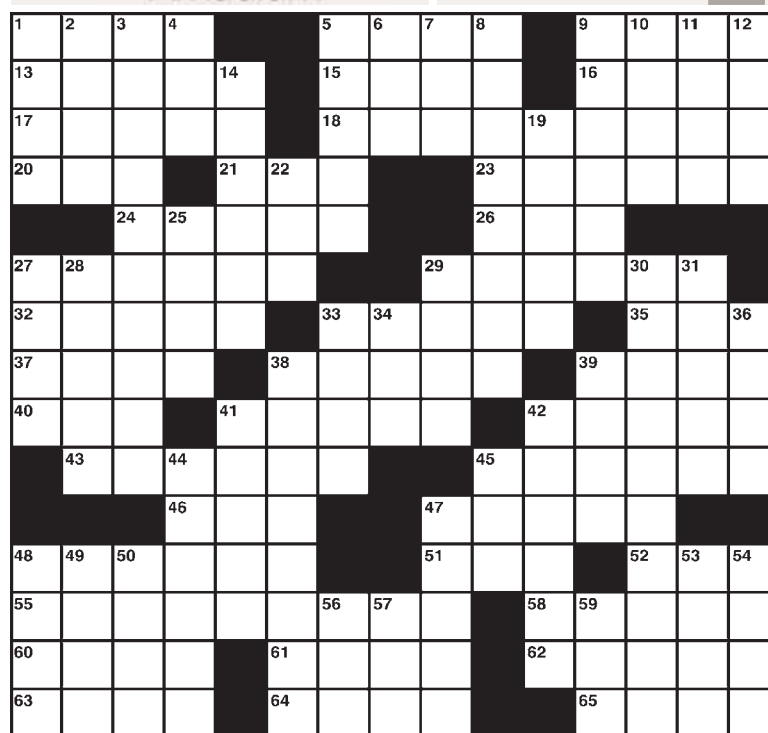
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27 Founder's Day event  
29 Truthful  
32 Furious  
33 Shred cheese  
35 Bumpkin  
37 Pointed ends  
38 Appears on the horizon  
39 Melt together

- 40 Hardwood tree  
41 Suggestions  
42 Industrialist J. Paul \_\_\_  
43 Getaway  
45 Punctuation marks  
46 Scale divisions: abbr.  
47 Stanza  
48 Skillful  
51 Connecting word  
52 ER personnel  
55 Gorgeous  
58 Pyle or Els  
60 Surrounded by  
61 Eatery  
62 Family tree member  
63 Itty-bitty  
64 Shoe lace problem  
65 Get ready, for short

## DOWN

- 1 Sleep under the stars  
2 Above  
3 Lie detector tests  
4 Kick the bucket  
5 Reaches across  
6 Egg yolk  
7 Muhammad \_\_\_  
8 Sporadic critical remarks  
9 Manor & the land around it  
10 Fashionable  
11 Fishing line attachment  
ment  
12 Holds, having purchased  
14 Ten years  
19 Make amends  
22 Actor Vigoda  
25 "Phooey!"  
27 Stuffed bread  
28 Ascend  
29 Pork products  
30 Dixie resident  
31 Sample  
33 No longer here  
34 Dry \_\_\_; wood decay  
36 Actress Tina's kin  
38 Item in a cosmetic kit  
39 \_\_\_ up; admit guilt  
41 Customary practice  
42 Flower bed  
44 \_\_\_ vision; result of cataracts  
45 Lion's hideaway  
47 Restaurant car parker  
48 As blind as \_\_\_  
49 Actress Moore  
50 Picnic spoiler  
53 Friendly  
54 Ooze out  
56 Groupie  
57 Eerie saucer, for short  
59 \_\_\_-roaring; noisy & exciting

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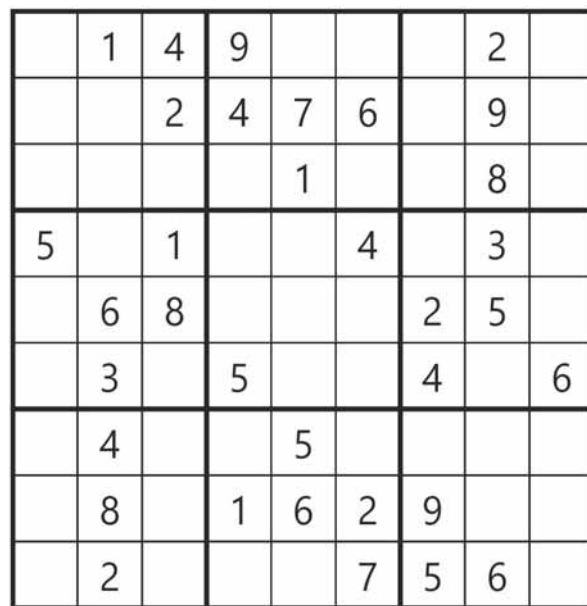
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